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**MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION**

Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Re: Application of Yuichi KOMACHI, Hideo TASHIRO and Katsuo AIZAWA  
RAMAN PROBE AND RAMAN SPECTRUM MEASURING APPARATUS UTILIZING  
THE SAME  
Assignees: **RIKEN and MACHIDA ENDOSCOPE CO., LTD.**  
Our Ref. Q80643

Dear Sir:

Attached hereto is the application identified above comprising thirteen (13) sheets of the specification, including the claims and abstract and six (6) sheets of drawings. **Copies of the executed Declaration and Power of Attorney and Assignment will be submitted at a later date.** Also enclosed please find a Preliminary Amendment.

The Government filing fee is calculated as follows:

Total claims	<u>8</u>	-	20	=		x	\$18.00	=	\$0.00
Independent claims	<u>1</u>	-	3	=		x	\$86.00	=	\$0.00
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**TOTAL FEE**

**\$770.00**

A check for the statutory filing fee of \$770.00 is attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

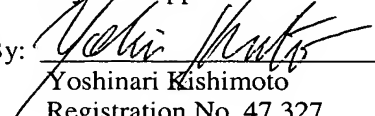
Priority is claimed from:

<u>Country</u>	<u>Application No</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>
Japan	2003/083318	March 25, 2003

The priority document will be filed at a later date.

Respectfully submitted,  
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